

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office action dated June 30, 2003. The Examiner therein rejected claims 1-13.

Applicants hereby amend claims 1, 9 and 12. All claims 1-13 are thus pending.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Applicants appreciate the opportunity provided by the Examiner for the telephonic interview conducted on October 28, 2003. During the interview the proposed amendments to claims 1, 9 and 12 were discussed in view of the cited references of record.

Rejections Under 35 USC §102

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7 and 9 stand rejected under 35 USC §102 by Lauer et al, US 6,118,936 (Lauer). Claim 12 is also rejected by Schwartz et al, US 6,473,609 (Schwartz).

As discussed during the interview with the Examiner, the references cited neither disclose nor suggest the invention as presently claimed. For example, as described in independent claim 12, an engine module is not disclosed in Lauer or Schwartz that is accessible to the Internet to receive the user-defined configuration information from a terminal. Moreover, these references fail to describe or suggest an engine module selecting to retrieve a web event from one or more web sites using the user-defined configuration information in accordance with selected criteria by a user for each particular web site.

Reconsideration of this rejection in view of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 USC §103

Claims 2, 3, 6, 8 and 10, 11 also stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Lauer in view of Schwartz.

Because these and other dependent claims depend from independent claims 1, 9 and 12, which Applicants believe are allowable over the cited references of record, allowance is also respectfully requested in view of the additional claim limitations recited therein.

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CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is in form for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including petition fees and extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 23-2415 (Docket No. 24286-702).

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